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Agronomy

September 4, 2009

Congratulations ! Please join me in welcoming our new graduate student representatives: **Kristin Chandler, Eric Miller, Michael Muenich, Samantha Shoaf, Mirayda Torres, and Anna Verseman**. All of us appreciate your willingness to provide leadership and represent the interests of the students and the Department.

We also thank **Ryan Edwards, Mary-Jane Orr** and **Laurel Royer** for their excellent leadership, time and efforts serving in these capacities in the recent years.

Sincerely,
Herb Ohm

SPECIAL AGRONOMY SEMINAR

“Grain production in Argentina cropping systems: Looking for sustainable yield increases through the Global Maize Project”,
Dr. Fernando Garcia
Director, Latin America-Southern Cone
(IPNI-Cono Sur)
Tuesday, September 8, 2009
2:00 pm Lilly 2-425

HAVE A HAPPY AND SAFE LABOR DAY. MONDAY IS AN OFFICIAL UNIVERSITY HOLIDAY

MISSION STATEMENT - The Agronomy Department at Purdue University provides progressive and relevant undergraduate, graduate and extension education programs; conducts high impact fundamental and applied research at multiple scales to ensure that our science addresses immediate problems and anticipates future challenges; actively engages partners in the public and private sectors; and contributes to the development of the national and international agenda for research and education.

ACRE Safety Thought # 34

Sharpening a hoe seems simple enough, just put on your eye protection, turn on the wheel grinder, and carefully sharpen the cutting edge. The first hazard to avoid is eye injury. So please wear eye protection every time you use a wheel grinder to sharpen your hoe at ACRE.

Even though it is a simple job, safety is still required to avoid an accident.

Other hazards will include finger or hand injury if they come in contact with the rotating wheel. Check the wheel before starting for signs of cracking or stone fatigue.

You do not want a wheel to fail and disintegrate while you are using it. It is important to firmly and steadily brace the hoe during sharpening. If the hoe bounces or vibrates excessively during sharpening, then stop and reposition the hoe or look for grinder problems.

Plan, think, and work safely at ACRE
Jim

Wabash Sampling Blitz

Volunteer to help sample 200+ sites on tributaries draining to the Wabash River from 3-5 pm on Friday, September 18th.

No training and no equipment!
Simply volunteer and receive a free water bottle!



To volunteer visit <http://tiny.cc/WabashBlitz> or contact Sara Peel at (765) 337-9100 or speel@lafayette.in.gov

Don't forget, the **Harvest Reunion** is coming up on October 3rd and tickets are on sale now. The meal ticket deadline is September 15th. Below is a link to the registration.

<http://www.ag.purdue.edu/agry/Documents/registration.pdf>

CONFERENCES & SEMINARS

AGRONOMY

“Agronomic challenges of turning Miscanthus into a leading bioenergy crop in the US”
Damien Allen, Agronomy Manager
Mendel BioEnergy Seeds
Monday, September 14, 3:30 pm
Lily 2-425

ENTOMOLOGY

Tandem Repeats: Great Bait for FISH-ing in the Ixodes scapularis Genome,
Jason Meyer, Dept. of Entomology
September 10, 3:45 pm
Whistler Hall, Room 116

NATIONAL SOIL EROSION RESEARCH LABORATORY SEMINAR SCHEDULE

TBA
Ms. Sara Peel, Coordinator of Watershed Projects,
Wabash River Enhancement Corporation
September 30, 10:30 am in NSERL Conference Room

FORESTRY & NATURAL RESOURCES

Ecology of Harmful Algal Blooms,
Dr. Allen E. Wilson, Dept. of Fisheries & Allied Aquacultures, Auburn University
September 22, 2009 3:30 pm
Deans Auditorium Pfendler Hall

BIOLOGICAL SCIENCES

“Phylogenomics: 50+ Mammalian Genomes to Play With”,
Peter Waddell, Dept of Biological Sciences
September 9, 3:40 pm
MJIS 1001

BOTANY & PLANT PATHOLOGY

“Exploiting natural variation in post-mating isolation to identify genes involved in endosperm balance”,
Dr. Brian Dilkes, Dept. of Horticulture & Landscape Architecture
Wednesday, September 9, 2009
3:30pm WSLR 116

BIOCHEMISTRY

TBA,
Steve Broyles, Dept. of Biochemistry
September 8, WSLR 116 4:00—5:00 pm

PLANT BIOLOGY STUDENT/POSTDOC SEMINAR SERIES

“87 years in the Making, Cloning and Characterization of a Brassinosteroid Mutant in Maize”
Thomas Hartwig (Schulz Lab)
September 9, Wednesday Noon (bi-weekly)
Whistler room 116

PULSe Faculty Seminar Series

Olfactory Receptors and Regulation of Tissue Repair in Skeletal Muscle,
Grace Pavlath, Dept. of Pharmacology
School of Medicine Emory University
Monday, September 14th
PFEN 241 3:00 pm

BIOFORMATICS SEMINAR SERIES

"Statistical issues in next-generation sequencing --An overview and case study"
Paul Livermore Auer, Department of Statistics, Purdue University
Place: HORT 117; September 8, 2009, Tuesday, 4:30pm

Summer and Fall Examination/Graduation Deadlines for Graduate Students

- September 23, 2009 Last day to declare candidacy for degree for December graduation.
- October 16, 2009 Last day for “exam/degree only” registrants to submit the appropriate Report of Final Examination and the Thesis Receipt forms. If these two forms are not received in the Graduate School, the registration will be revised to research credits (Does not apply to non-thesis master’s candidates.)
- December 4, 2009 Last day for students to pass the final examination. Signed candidate/certification forms and final examination reports must be returned to the Graduate School, Room 170, Young Hall (YONG). Students for whom a final report is not received will not be able to graduate in December. (Final examination reports are not required for non-thesis master’s students).
- December 11, 2009 All master’s and Ph.D. candidates must submit their dissertation via Electronic Thesis Deposit (ETD), at least 24 hours prior to their scheduled appointment. All required forms must be deposited at their mandatory, scheduled, final deposit appointment in the Thesis/Dissertation Office, Room 170, Young Hall (YONG). Deposit appointments can be made by calling 765-494-2600 or e-mail gradinfo@purdue.edu.
- December 19, 2009 Doctoral students must have taken preliminary examinations by this date to be eligible for December 2010 graduation (assuming student registered Spring 2010 and Summer 2010).

MARK YOUR CALENDARS

October 3 Harvest Reunion
December 10 Staff Recognition